

Air Force Prime Time, a weekly news magazine for and about airmen stationed overseas, airs Thursday evenings at 8:25 p.m. Central European Time on AFN television. In this week's edition, the final report on lessons learned from Kosovo; NATO allies in Denmark train; and DODDS teachers see first-hand how ops tempo affects military families.

News briefs

Air power in South Africa

U.S. aircraft and airmen, some from Spangdahlem Air Base, take part in an air show honoring the 80th anniversary of the South African Air Force Saturday and Sunday.

About 10 U.S. Air Force planes — including fighters, bombers, transport planes, and air refuelers — are scheduled to appear.

The minister of defense for South Africa requested U.S. participation in the event, and U.S. Secretary of Defense William Cohen authorized the deployment. U.S. attendance is expected to strengthen the bilateral defense relationship of both countries.

U.S. Air Forces in Europe is providing the bulk of the participating aircraft, including the F-15 and two F-16s from Spangdahlem, the C-130 and a KC-135. Crowds at the two-day event can also expect to see the B-1B bomber, and the C-17, the world's most modern military transport plane.

Air Force Ball

Unit first sergeants have tickets to the Sept. 22 Air Force Ball in the enlisted club. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m.

Tickets cost \$10 for technical sergeant and below, \$15 for master sergeant and above. Sept. 15 is the deadline to buy tickets to the ball, titled "United in Airpower."

Maj. Gen. Randall Schmidt, U.S. Air Forces in Europe aerospace operations director, is the guest speaker. The USAFE Galaxy Band provides the music.

For more information, call Capt. Ann Shigeta at 452-6030 or Julie Newlin at 452-6807.

Customer forum

As part of an Inspector General team visit by Army and Air Force Exchange Service headquarters Monday through Sept. 15, local AAFES officials hold customer satisfaction

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Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid
Diana Yelder, Eifel Arms Inn manager, unloads groceries in a temporary lodging facility to get in-bound families through the first 24 hours. The "Bear Essentials" program offered by the Spangdahlem lodging operations is one of the many initiatives that helped to earn the 2000 Air Force Innkeeper Award.

Services earns Air Force award

By Tech. Sgt. Rich Romero
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Spangdahlem Air Base services squadron staff believe they provide "five-star" service and accommodations to guests in their lodging facilities, and Air Force officials agree.

Officials announced last week that the base is the 2000 Air Force Innkeeper Award winner in the small-base category. Since 1981, the service annually recognizes its "best of the best" in lodging by bestowing the Innkeeper Awards.

"Confirmation that we offer the best service to our guests means more to us than any amount of money," said Steve

Holland, lodging general manager. "You can't buy satisfied customers. That you have to earn."

To that end, just meeting the standards doesn't cut it, he said. To ensure it provides the best possible service, the lodging program spent more than \$250,000 and a lot of hard work on infrastructure improvements.

"I'm not talking 'show and tell' areas such as appearance and furnishings," Holland said. "We went back to basics, examining every area of our operation to see where and how we

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TOPS IN BLUE 2000 tour comes to Spang in Sept.

Compiled from staff reports

TOPS IN BLUE, the entertainment showcase of the U.S. Air Force, performs Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center.

"The 2000 edition of TOPS IN BLUE, 'If You Believe,' is a musical medley of songs to captivate the entire audience," said Charly Emmerling, with the 52nd Services Squadron marketing office. "For more than 45 years, TOPS IN BLUE has been energizing audiences around the world. This year's show is no exception."

TOPS IN BLUE 2000 takes center stage and performs a free, 90-minute show, including a variety of music styles ranging from big band to pop, country to rhythm and blues, and contemporary Latin to nostalgic rock and roll. One of this year's highlights includes music from popular animated movies.

According to Tom Edwards, the show's producer and director of Air Force Entertainment, this show, through the power of music, is sure to promote the importance of believing in one's self throughout life.

"Music is the universal language, which

transcends all generations," Edwards said. "This message is understood throughout the world, regardless of language or culture."

"This year's team of 35 active-duty military members is indeed a reflection of the 'best of the best.' Continuing the tradition of worldwide ambassadors, this group of talented young Air Force members displays the pride, patriotism and dedication felt by all Air Force people around the world."

The 2000 TOPS IN BLUE schedule includes 32 performances in 20 countries around the world. Their official web site is

at www.afsv.af.mil and provides information about the 2000 schedule and how to join the team.

"We're proud to announce the continued sponsorship of AT&T, USPA&IRA and Landstar/Ranger Government Transportation, Inc., during the 2000 world tour," Edwards said. "The generous support of the program ensures the availability of TOPS IN BLUE entertainment for our Air Force family station throughout the world."

For more information, call Emmerling, 52nd Services Squadron marketing office, at 452-6466.

Accidents plague Eifel region drivers

By Tech. Sgt. Franklin McElhane
52nd Security Forces Squadron reports and analysis

The following major vehicle accidents involving people from Spangdahlem Air Base occurred in the Eifel region Aug. 28 through Tuesday.

■A Dodge Neon was rear-ended by a German national driving a 1998 Seat near the Spangdahlem AB traffic circle. The road conditions were clear and dry when the accident happened at about 12:10 p.m.

■Two military members collided on B-50 at the Krankenhaus exit. A BMW was traveling toward Spangdahlem AB just outside the Bitburg traffic circle when a

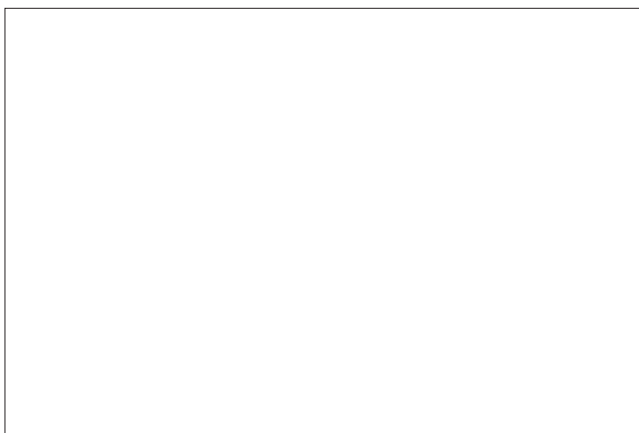
vehicle entering B-50 from the Krankenhaus exit made a left turn. The accident caused about \$6,000 in damages to both vehicles.

In addition, there were 12 minor accidents causing about \$10,000 in total damages:

■Eight accidents were off base and involved speeds slower than 30 mph.

■Seven of the accidents involved backing up.

■Six accidents took place in or entering a parking lot.



Courtesy photo

A civilian employee from Spangdahlem Air Base is still recovering from this three-vehicle accident in July near the Dudeldorf and Eifel Gondorf exit on B-50.

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could improve customer service - our most important objective."

Some of those improvements include shuttle service to and from the Ramstein area; offering a tourism video of the Eifel area; selling gift baskets and "Bear Essentials" kits which contain food a family may need for their first 24-hours; massage therapy; full-service continental breakfast and coffee bar; a completely renovated temporary lodging lobby; and Value Added Tax form sales.

Maj. John Povelones, 52nd Services Squadron commander, attributes the operations success to the staff's commitment to excellence.

"The evaluators noticed the energy and cohesion of the lodging team right away," he said. "You can't fake teamwork. From maintenance technicians pitching in to help housekeepers to accountants covering the front desk, the

entire team always pulls together to meet our guests' needs."

"Our people are the Band-Aid when sponsors are unavailable," Holland added. "We're proud of that. I don't think many lodging staffs go that far."

The annual award recognizes Air Force lodging operations that provide the most outstanding hotel-type lodging and customer service to their guests. The competition is separated into either small- or large-category operations. A large-category is defined as one that has 286 or more bedspaces.

While representing U.S. Air Force in Europe twice in the past three years, it's the first time Spangdahlem's facility has taken the coveted lodging award, and beat out the 1997 winner Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont. (a competitor for the 2000 award).

All major command competitors are evaluated by a separate three-member team. Each team consists of two

members representing Air Force Services Agency and one member representing the American Hotel and Motel Association.

Other small category competitors this year were: Whiteman AFB, Mo.; Vance and Tinker AFBs, Okla.; McConnell AFB, Kan.; Misawa AB, Japan; Homestead Air Reserve Base, Fla.; and the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.

The award will be presented at the International Hotel/Motel and Restaurant Show Nov. 10 in New York City. The 2000 Worldwide Lodging Managers' Workshop will be held in conjunction with the ceremony.

During the workshop, Air Force lodging managers receive briefings on the latest Air Force initiatives and up-to-date training from the AH&MA Educational Institute. Another benefit to attendees is access to the largest product trade show in the hospitality industry, as well as the opportunity to attend numerous hospitality seminars and interact with top industry leaders.

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forums.

A Spangdahlem forum takes place at 1 p.m. Monday in the base theater. The Bitburg forum takes place at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the base exchange. These sessions are designed to obtain customer feedback on exchange operations with the goal of improving service, said Rosie Schmitz, AAFES general manager's secretary. The AAFES general manager and select staff members will attend to answer questions or discuss concerns.

Test school boards in Europe

School boards replaced installation advisory councils Sept. 1 at six U.S. Air Forces in Europe bases, including Spangdahlem, under a two-year test with the Department of Defense Dependents Schools system.

School boards give power of the vote to parents, who elect their own school board members, separate from the school advisory committees.

School principals, the district superintendent and the installation commander serve on the boards as observers but won't be allowed to vote. The school boards can make recommendations to installation commanders, district superintendents and principals on education issues ranging from support services and school meal programs to transportation and student standards of discipline.

"School boards present a new avenue for parents to improve the local schools," said Dr. Susan Kelly, of the DODDS liaison office at USAFE headquarters. "They can impact the decisions of school administrators and installation leadership that will effect students across the installation. Parents can send strong messages to the top military and DODDS leadership."

School boards bring parents, principals, installation commanders and district superintendents together for discussions and resolutions to parent concerns, she added.

Each test base has the school board operating guidelines. Communities have until Oct. 15 to elect school boards. Detailed information on the school boards will appear in next week's Eifel Times.

Holiday greetings

A video team from the Army and Air Force Hometown News Agency visits the Eifel next month to videotape holiday greetings of service members, their families and Defense Department U.S. civilian employees. The team conducts taping sessions 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 2-3.

Appointments will be scheduled in five-minute increments throughout each day. Call the 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office at 452-4251 for appointments.

People are encouraged to bring family members to the taping session, but all active-duty military members must be in uniform.

Tip of the hat

■The service cap is a mandatory uniform item for majors and above; however, daily wear of the service cap is not mandatory.

■When wearing the battle dress uniform with the sleeves rolled up, the sleeve material must match the shirt and touch or come within one inch of the forearms when the arm is bent at a 90-degree angle. The chevron must be fully visible.

This information and more on the standards of dress and appearance, and customs and courtesies, is contained in Air Force Instructions 36-2903, 36-2903-SABSUP 1 and 36-2203.

AFPC significantly changes base preference program

Air Force expands eligibility criteria for first-termers, implements system for career airmen to choose bases

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — In response to Air Force leadership's guidance to improve retention and maintain stability in the service, Air Force Personnel Center officials have significantly changed the Base of Preference Program for first term and career airmen.

Officials have recently implemented changes expanding the eligibility criteria for the First-Term Airman Base of Preference Program and implementing the Career Base of Preference Program, formerly known as the Volunteer Enlisted CONUS Assignment Program.

According to Gen. Michael E. Ryan, Air Force Chief of Staff, "this initiative speaks volumes for Air Force leadership's commitment to improve retention for our enlisted force. We're extremely hopeful we can get more of our people assignments to locations of their choosing and these folks will respond by staying with us."

The current First-Term Airman BOP program is small and applies only to those

desiring to remain in place or retrain.

"We are expanding the program dramatically to allow almost every first-term re-enlisting the opportunity to participate," said Lt. Col. Michael Gamble, assignment programs and procedures division chief. "If you're at Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base (N.C.), wanting to get to Holloman Air Force Base (N.M.) and you're willing to re-enlist, then you make an application. If manning supports, we'll work it."

However, Gamble cautions, there are no guarantees. "With first-term BOPs, we are looking at gaining manning; 'Is there a requirement I can put you in?' If not, we'll work alternatives with you."

The other program receiving a facelift is the VECAP, now renamed the Career BOP. Currently, members must have 5.5 years to apply and move at the 6-year point.

"We want to liberalize this requirement so that members can apply at the 3.5-year point and move at four years, if approved,"

Gamble said.

Officials at AFPC say they look at losing and gaining base manning, as well as overseas vulnerability, when making assignments for career airmen.

"If you're a 7-level in a key mid-management position at Tinker (AFB, Okla.) and you want to go to Hurlburt Field (Fla.), but moving you there will cause mission problems for Tinker, then your request will be denied," Gamble added.

All BOP applicants may request a maximum of eight bases. Those requesting more than one will be considered in priority order.

"If we can work your first choice, it's game over. If not, we'll take a look at your second choice and try to make that happen," Gamble said.

If none of the preferences can be worked, the airman may immediately apply for other bases, as long as they remain eligible. Additionally, they can re-apply for the same bases six months later to see if manning has changed at that base. The exception will be for first-term airmen. Since their BOP application is submitted in conjunction with re-enlistment and retraining, they will be unable to submit multiple applications. But the good news is they will be offered

alternatives immediately if their choices can't be approved.

A new web-based BOP application is also available for people with access to the World Wide Web. Members desiring a CONUS to CONUS PCS BOP (other than in-place) can now apply through the AFPC home page at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil (choose enlisted, military assignments, AMS web login). This application is similar to the current process for updating an assignment preference worksheet (Air Force Form 392).

Gamble cautions people to use their "BOP chit" carefully because back-to-back BOPs will not be authorized.

"If your goal in life is to get to Moody (AFB, Ga.), but you list other locations on your application, manning at Moody could drive us to approve your second or subsequent choices," Gamble said. "Should that occur, you will not be eligible to apply for a BOP to Moody as your next assignment."

The enlisted assignments program will still be requirements driven. But according to Lt. Gen. Donald L. Peterson, Air Force Director of Personnel, "we strongly believe BOP will allow us to better balance individual desires with mission requirements." (Air Force Print News)

AF releases commercials in theaters, online, on T.V.

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Air Force has released six new advertisements which can be seen in movie theaters and on television. Now, the ads can also be viewed online at [www.af.mil/airforce-\(no-hyphen\)story/ads.html](http://www.af.mil/airforce-(no-hyphen)story/ads.html).

On Sept. 2, the commercials titled "Bumper Sticker," "Radar" and the 30-second version of "People" will air FOX Network during regional coverage of Major League Baseball. Bumper Sticker and Radar will air Sept. 3 on CBS' "NFL Today," and Bumper Sticker will make its third showing during "The Simpsons" on FOX.

Major League Baseball and NFL Today will also use five and 10-second "billboards" throughout their broadcasts. A five-second billboard announced during a baseball game will say, "Today's game is brought to you by America's Air Force - No One Comes Close." A 10-second billboard announced during the football show will say, "The NFL Today is brought to you by nearly three-quarters of a million remarkable people, serving their country . . . America's Air Force - No One Comes Close." The billboards will also feature the Air Force's new symbol.

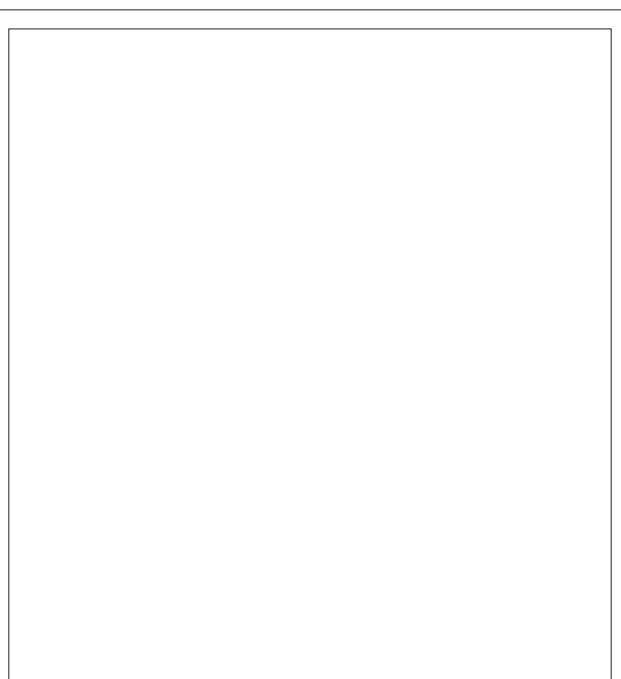
In the upcoming television season, the new commercials will air during several

To view the newly released Air Force advertisements, go online to:
www.af.mil/airforcestory/ads.html

prime-time television programs, including "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire," "Malcolm in the Middle," "Buffy The Vampire Slayer" and "Star Trek Voyager." They will also run on cable television networks such as MTV, ESPN, TNN and BET.

Versions of the ads can also be seen on Air Force Television News beginning with the Sept. 18 edition. Air Force bases that receive the videotape version of Air Force Television News will receive all six ads, plus a motivational video for internal audiences.

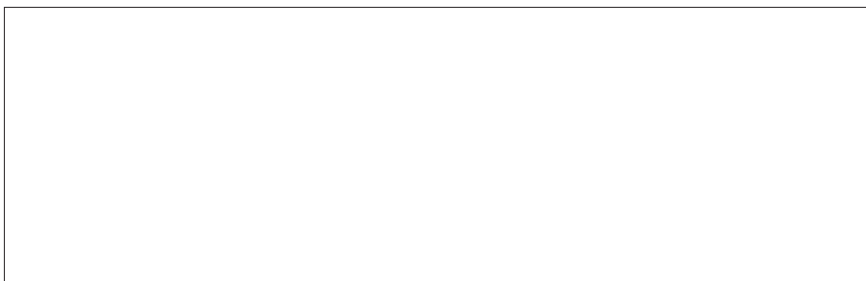
The new commercials are the work of Jerry Grant, producer; Bob Richardson, Oscar-winning director and photographer; and the corporate branding agency Siegelgale. The new ads are the next wave in the Air Force's assault on recruiting and retention. (Air Force Print News)



Airman 1st Class Kimberlie Drews

Final check

Airman Wendy Clark checks the pilots helmets in life support before they fly during exercises at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. Members of the 23rd Fighter Squadron return from the temporary duty Sept. 18-20. The unit was preparing for its upcoming Air Expeditionary Force deployment in December.



Judson Brohmer

The F-22's internal-mounted M61A2 six-barreled 20mm lightweight Gatling gun's hydraulic door was tested during a recent flight test of Raptor 4002 above the Mojave Desert.

Raptor flies through testing

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — The F-22 Combined Test Force completed another major Defense Acquisition Board milestone ahead of schedule Aug. 22. The test involved F-22 flight maneuvers with its weapons bay doors open and at high angles of attack.

The milestone, officially titled "Initiate High AoA (Angle of Attack) with Weapons Bay Doors Open," was the third of nine flight test-related milestones completed this year. According to test engineers at the F-22 testing facility, the aircraft passed its milestone "with flying colors."

Other milestones for 2000 include the first flight of Raptor 4003, 4004, 4005, 4006, Radar Cross Section testing, AIM-9 separation testing through AIM-120 separation testing, complete Avionics Block 3.0 first flight, and Block 3.0 function testing.

Milestones completed this year include the first flight of Raptor 4003 and AIM-9 separation testing. Completion of Raptor 4004, 4005, 4006 and the avionics testing milestones can begin once the items complete the manufacturing process and are ready for issue to the CTF. Completion of test points that will culminate with separation testing of the AIM-120 and RCS testing are proceeding satisfactorily.

The AoA test required the F-22 to fly with its center weapons bay doors open and conduct an extensive maneuvering flight and with a high angle of attack, or nose up attitude. The test evaluated the weapons bay doors' ability to withstand significant changes in pressure gradients generated by the airflow as it passes by the plane's fuselage.

Lockheed test pilot Jon Beesley flew Raptor 4002 during the test. Specific flight maneuvers included 360 degree rolls and full pedal sideslips, where the pedals, or rudder controls, are pushed to the full extent of their control travel. Tests were done at 35,000 feet at varying airspeeds.

While specific details of the test profile remain sensitive, the aircraft's performance continued to exceed capabilities of all other fighter aircraft currently in use.

"The F-22 continues to perform outstandingly in all tests that we have performed and it remains unsurpassed in both its handling and flight performance," Beesley said.

Edwards is currently testing three F-22s. Since the start of testing, a little more than two years ago, the F-22 program has flown more than 690 hours and completed more than 8,000 flight test points, or evaluation items, and more than 2,500 maintenance or logistics test points.

The F-22 test team has completed several major flight test milestones. All have been accomplished ahead of schedule. As an example of applied aerodynamics in action, the F-22 test program remains, based on historical data, the single most efficient flight-test program in Edwards' history. The test team has seen continued successes in its ability to fine tune Raptor performance, expand the aircraft's flight envelope and discover areas to enhance structural capabilities.

All flight test tasks are essential to helping the F-22 reach its ultimate goal of being "the air superiority fighter" of the 21st Century. (Air Force Print News)

Intern program board convenes in December

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — The 2001 Air Force Intern Program central selection board convenes Dec. 11 at the Air Force Personnel Center.

The board will choose 50 captains — including one each from the nurse, biomedical sciences, medical service, judge advocate and chaplain corps — to begin AFIP participation Aug. 1, 2001.

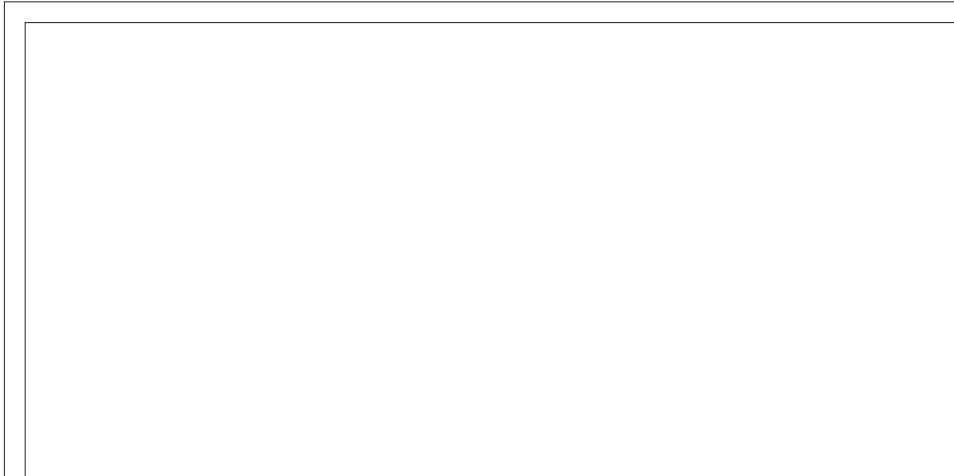
To compete for AFIP, officers must be nominated by their management level by Nov. 15. Officers nominated will be asked to complete an AFIP-specific Air Force Form 3849. This form is only used by the AFIP selection board and does not become part of an officer's permanent record.

The top criteria for considering captains for this program is their long-term leadership potential. Line captains with a date of rank in 1998-2000 are eligible for consideration. Nurse, BSC, MSC and JAG officers must have a total active federal commission service date of 1995-1997. MSC and BSC officers must have a date of rank in 1997-1999 and NC must have a date of rank in 1995-1997. Chaplains must have a date of rank in 1995-1997.

AFIP provides a unique opportunity for selected captains to sharpen their leadership skills and understanding of the application of air and space power. It's a fast-paced 12-month program designed to develop tomorrow's leaders. It combines hands-on experience as an intern in the Joint Chiefs of Staff, office of the secretary of defense, air staff and secretariat arena with graduate courses in leadership and management at George Washington University. The graduate courses are fully funded by the Air Force.

Selectees incur a three-year active duty service commitment for this program. Additionally, selectees who have not attended Squadron Officer School in residence will be allotted quotas to attend prior to reporting to AFIP. Officers in all career fields are eligible for AFIP, except physicians and dentists.

For more information concerning AFIP, visit the military personnel flight. (AF Print News)



Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid

Sharp demonstration

Members of the U.S. Air Force Honor Guard from Washington, D.C., performed Aug. 30 in the Spangdahlem fitness center. Team members also reviewed the local honor guard program and offered their expertise and suggestions on ways to improve their skills. Additionally, the team took part in an anniversary celebration in Binsfeld during the weekend.



Community Mailbox

Membership drive

The Spangdahlem Spouses and Enlisted Members Club membership dinner meeting takes place at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Bitburg Elementary School cafeteria. Call Barbara Best at 06565-956887 for more information about the club and to make reservations.

Toyland opening

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service holds a Toyland grand opening starting at 11 a.m. Sept. 16 in the Spangdahlem shoppette. Prize drawings take place throughout the day with the grand prize, a children's bicycle, drawing at 2 p.m. Santa Claus is attending. Free refreshments and cake will be served as well.

Family support center news

All of the following classes and seminars take place in the family support center on Bitburg unless otherwise indicated. Call 453-7491 for details.

■ A Transition Assistance Program seminar takes place 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sept. 15.

■ The relocation assistance program Trier trip takes place Sept. 22.

■ A six-week German language and culture course begins 6-8 p.m. Sept. 26.

■ An interview skills workshop takes place 1-3 p.m. Sept. 26.

Golf tournament

The Eifel Mountain Open takes place Sept. 16. Cost is \$15 plus green fees. Call 452-6821 for details.

School pictures

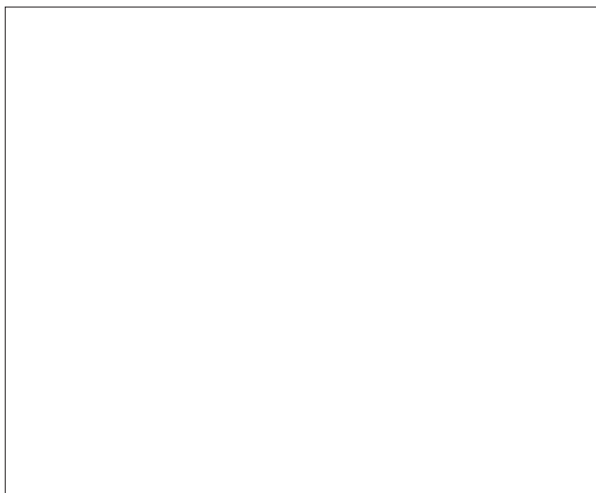
Individual school pictures for students in Spangdahlem Elementary School will be taken Sept. 20 or 21. Proofs will be sent home at a later date to give parents the opportunity to buy portrait packages. For more information, call the school at 452-6881.

La Leche League

La Leche League holds a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 20 in the Bitburg hospital conference room. For more information, call Margaret Loffelman at 06565-7555 or Alice DaFoe at 06561-683893.

'Child Find' screening

Spangdahlem Elementary School conducts "Child Find" screening Sept. 29 for children, ages 3-4 years old who may have a suspected developmental delay in language, social, motor, cognitive or self-help skills. The screening is for parents with children who live within the Spangdahlem



Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid

Buenos noches

Melissa Hauser serves lunch to Airman Michael Foreman, 52nd Component Repair Squadron, at the Taco Shack near the Spangdahlem commissary. Because of the re-opening of the Eifel Lanes in October, the Taco Shack closes Sept. 15. The bowling center snack bar re-opens Oct. 2.

School Feeder Plan. People who are unsure which villages fall within the feeder area should call the school bus office at 452-5368.

For appointments or more information, call 452-5071 or 6881 after 11:30 a.m.

Mentor program

Spangdahlem Middle School's mentor program begins Oct. 3 and needs about 50 role models to serve as mentors.

The goals of the program are to improve student's abilities to set and achieve goals, recognize the link between education and work, and to discover and build upon strengths. Training and support is provided to all volunteers.

For more information or to volunteer, call Capt. Erik Bruce at 452-7557.

Girl Scout registration

Representatives from area Girl Scouts will be available at each school's open house to offer information or register girls for the scouting year. For more information, call Elisabeth McHugh at 06565-7406.

Food vendors

The Eifel Officers' Club Spouses' Club holiday bazaar committee needs outdoor food vendors for the Nov. 3-5 bazaar. For more information, call 06562-932765 or 06562-932692.

T.V. production equipment

Bitburg High School seeks donations of television production equipment, particularly working camcorders. For more

information, call the school at 453-7937.

Furniture donations

The Family Advocacy Program needs donations of tables and chairs, particularly child-size items. It also needs toys, puzzles and games appropriate for children 6 and younger. For more information, call Dr. Suzanne Furman at 452-8282.

Guest speakers

Bitburg Middle School needs adults with college degrees to serve as guest speakers for its Advancement Via Individual Determination Program.

AVID gives students with potential, but who aren't living up to it, the opportunity to succeed by teaching them organization, note-taking and time management, said Joanne Schenck, AVID teacher. It also provides tutorials in the students' subjects.

The guest speakers provide reinforcement of the skills the course uses as well as providing career information and confirmation that education never stops.

To volunteer, call Schenck at 453-7731.

Gulf War veterans' scrapbook

Air Force Magazine seeks personal snapshots, not official photos, from current Air Force Association members who are veterans of the Gulf War for its upcoming Gulf War scrapbook. The pictures will be copied and originals returned.

To submit photos, send them by Nov. 15 to Air Force Magazine, 1501 Lee Highway, Arlington, Va., 22209-1198. Magazine editors ask people to include a telephone

number. Envelopes should be marked, "Gulf War Scrapbook."

For more information, call J. Kent Eckles, AFA field organizations director, at (703) 247-5800, extension 4803.

YES program

High-school students can earn up to \$4 per hour for future college expenses by volunteering with the Youth Employment Services program. Call youth programs at 452-7546 for details.

Swim team

The Eifel Sharks need competition swim team coaches for the upcoming swim season. Call 452-8299 or 06565-958299 for details.

Coaches needed

The Eifel youth sports program needs coaches and officials for the soccer and flag football season. Sign-up 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in building 58 on Bitburg or at the base community center. Call youth sports at 453-6267 for details.

Cub Scouts

Pack 161 seeks volunteers for secretarial, registrar and fund-raising positions. Call Bernadette Young at 06561-670473 for details.

Substitutes wanted

Spangdahlem Elementary School is accepting applications for substitute teachers. Call 452-6881 for details.

Nurses needed

Family Advocacy needs volunteer nurses to help with the New Parent Support Program. Call 452-8279 or 453-3129 for details.

Home schooling

Eifel Home Schoolers offers information and support. Call Kimberly Carpenter at 06565-942675.

Mothers of Preschoolers

MOPS needs volunteers to work in their children's rooms during the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. To volunteer, call Christina Gay at 06565-944453.

Retiree activities

Retiree activities needs office volunteers to expand its hours. The office is currently open 5:30-8 p.m. Friday in building 23. Call Gary Hackl at 06565-614284, 06553-1745, or e-mail gary.hackl@spangdahlem.af.mil, to volunteer or for details.

Call retired Chief Master Sgt. Bobby Roberts, new Air Force Retiree Council area representative, at 06561-7591 for information concerning area retiree representation.

Movies

All movies play at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Bitburg Castle

Today

What Lies Beneath (PG-13)

Norman and Claire Spencer try to learn the origin of mysterious events that have threatened their idyllic life. Claire starts having strange visions. They find themselves investigating the murder of a beautiful college student who has been appearing to his wife. Terror, violence, sensuality and language.

Saturday

What Lies Beneath

Sunday

Nutty Professor II (PG-13)

Sherman thought he has seen the last of his alter-ego, but Buddy Love is back. Having done his best to keep Buddy buried in his subconscious, the portly professor is horrified to find him resurfacing in untimely outbursts, and threatening his marriage plans to his colleague Denise. Sherman battles to restore order to his family, and marry the woman he loves, before all hell breaks loose. Crude humor and sexual material.

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

Nutty Professor II

Thursday

Center Stage (PG-13)

A tight-knit group of young dance students try to make a name for themselves and become stars in the fiercely competitive world of professional dance. While experiencing the normal joys and sorrows, loves and conflicts of youth, they strive to take their place center stage. Language and sensuality.

Spangdahlem Skyline

Today

Boys and Girls (PG-13)

From the moment they first meet as kids on an airplane, Jennifer and Ryan set the tone for their life-long relationship: fighting and flirting with equal skill. Over the next few years they meet again developing a real passion for despising one another. But by the time they both get to college, their decade-long antagonism starts turning to friendship, brutally honest, no holds barred, true thing friendship, the kind only one unexpected thing could possibly destroy: Sex. Sexual content.

Saturday

Rocky and Bullwinkle (PG, 4 p.m.)

Yes, it's true, those notorious No-Goodniks, Boris and Natasha are back, and as usual are up to no good. This time they have managed to break the secret code and make the leap from their cartoon existence into the real world. Led by a criminal mastermind, they have devised a plot to take over the world. Language.

Coyote Ugly (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

Velvet voiced, 21-year-old Violet Sanford heads to New York to pursue her dream of becoming a songwriter. Her aspirations are sidelined by the notoriety she receives at her "day" job as a bar maid at Coyote Ugly, the hottest spot in town. The club features a team of sexy, enterprising young women who tantalize customers and the media alike with their outrageous antics. Sensuality.

Sunday

Rocky and Bullwinkle

Monday

Coyote Ugly

Tuesday

Coyote Ugly

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Times and movies are subject to change.
For the most current information,
call 453-7541.

Bad Duerkheim hosts wine fest annually during past 582 years

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The world famous Bad Duerkheim Wine and Sausage Fest or Wurstmart has been celebrated annually for 582 years. This year's festival takes place today through Tuesday and Sept. 15-18.

The Wurstmart originated in the Saint Michaelstag market, which was a sales market. It was held by the Limburg abbey, in front of Saint Michael's Pilgrims' chapel, since 1417. However, some believe the market dates back even earlier.

Even in its earliest days, the market received widespread attention and had an important economic impact on the town. During bad times, especially during the world wars, the market was cancelled, but beginning in 1750, the market became more established and the demand for sausage drastically increased. By 1800, the market developed a festival atmosphere and the title Wurstmart was adopted in 1832.

Today the traditional sausage market is considered the world's greatest wine festival, starting the second weekend in September at the Bruehlwiesen grounds. Visitors consume more than 220,000 liters of wine, 400,000 pounds of meat and 60,000 chickens.

There are three festival halls with 1,300 seats each, 36 wine tents where German brass bands perform, an amusement park, more than 40 sausage and chicken food stands and 36 historical wine stands featuring more than 250 wines. The amusement park features a 65-meter long roller-coaster, a giant slide, a 59-meter high free fall tower, haunted house, simulator ride, carousel and more. Raffle booths, candy and game stands, fast-food and sales booths will also be present.

Music and entertainment is provided throughout the festival inside and outside the festival halls and tents. Among the highlights will be a historical play, a special Wurstmart exhibition and two fireworks displays. The world's largest wine barrel is also one of the

Closer to home

Lieser brings wine fest to Spangdahlem's backyard

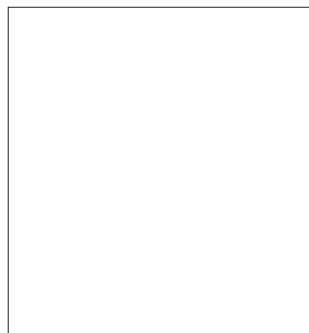
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Many villages along the Mosel river celebrate either a wine or street festival each year in September; however, one popular festival invites people to Lieser, a charming Mosel village located about 30 minutes from Spangdahlem Air Base.

The Lieser street festival, which is popular with people who live along the Mosel, opens at 7 p.m. tonight with speeches and presentations by both the local mayor and the wine queen. Opening activities take place around the Brunnenplatz or fountain area.

"Kleug Zaat" and "n'tuunke Lieger" musical ensembles from Holland, as well as the Lieser "Fidele Musikanten" musicians, perform at 8 p.m. Dancing performances follow at 10 p.m. performed by the "Spumbakus" show dance group from Lieser.

Activities continue at 11 a.m. Saturday with the opening of 22 wine and food



stands.

A special fitness program takes place at 2 p.m. Prizes are given away to the "best athletes."

The "Spumbakus" children's dance group takes the stage at 3 p.m. with a puppet theater performance for children and adults

Courtesy photo
Festival organizers cart out barrels of wine for guests to enjoy.

top attractions.

Bad Duerkheim is a spa resort, located in the heart of the Pfalz region, (between Kaiserslautern and Mannheim) along the scenic Deutsche Weinstrasse or German Wine Street.

In the Duerkheim area almond trees bear their first flower buds as early as February, followed by the yellow forsythia. Protected by the forests and influenced by sub-tropical winds that waft in from Southern France, lemons, figs and kiwi fruit can be grown, as well as wine grapes.

Because of the town's central location, bus and rail connections are travel options to reach the festival. Call the town's tourist information office at 06322-19433 for more information.

at 5 p.m. Entry to the theater is 3 DM per person. A local dance group and jazz dance group from the neighboring state of Saarland take over 7-8 p.m.

The highlight of the day is the 1st Lieser fireworks display at 9:30 p.m. Musical entertainment follows.

Sunday's activities include a Catholic church service at 10 a.m. at the St. Petrus church in Lieser, concerts by Dutch bands at 1 p.m., a balloon competition at 2 p.m., a puppet theater performance as well as more music and dancing performances by various bands and groups from 3-8 p.m.

Fine Mosel wines and traditional Mosel specialties are offered to visitors throughout the festival at reasonable prices. For people who would like to explore the Mosel area by bike in conjunction with a visit to the festival, there is a nice trail that runs all the way from Lieser to Bernkastel.

To get to Lieser, go to Dreis and through Salmthal. Follow signs to Osann-Monzel and then Lieser.